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REMARKS

In order to overcome the Examiner's objections to the drawings, the specification has been amended so that the reference numerals appearing in Figs. 1 and 9A, 9B are now referred to in the specification. It is believed that the Examiner's reference to numerals "220" and "222" in Figs. 9A and 9B was the result of misreading the lead lines. What the Examiner has apparently read as a numeral "2" is in fact only a squiggly lead line to numerals "20" and "22", the same numerals used in Fig. 1.

Applicant notes the Examiner's suggestion to more clearly focus the claims to the embodiment of Fig. 1. By the foregoing amendment, Applicants have undertaken to comply with the Examiner's suggestion. In accordance with the telephone discussion held between the Examiner and the undersigned attorney on October 9 and 10, 2006, Applicants are presenting newly amended claims which focus on the embodiment of Fig. 1. In particular, each of the claims now require that the nanostructures each have a metallic and dielectric combination, said metallic and dielectric being located adjacent each other, said metallic having a short surface and a long surface, and said dielectric extending only partially along said long surface of said metallic. The newly presented claims are believed to be patentably distinct from any of the art of record and reconsideration and allowance is therefore respectfully solicited.

Should there be any fees due and owing as a result of the within amendment, or should there be any fees paid in excess of any required amount, with respect to this

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application, the Examiner is authorized to charge any such amount due and owing, or credit any such fees paid in excess to Deposit Account No. 50-1529.

Respectfully submitted,

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